

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD BEFORE THE  
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA  
MAY 19, 2010**

A public hearing was held on Wednesday, May 19, 2010, in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana.

**Call to Order.** Presiding Officer Mayor William J. Schmitt called the hearing to order at 6:20 p.m.

**Roll Call.**

Mayor William J. Schmitt	Present
Council members:	
John Schroeder	Present
David Prectel	Present
Thomas Schmidt	Present
Ambrose 'Butch' Schitter	Present
Kevin Manley	Present
Randall Buchta	Present
Raymond Howard	Present
City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein	Present
Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm	Present

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the hearing, a majority of the council members must be in attendance. All seven council members were in attendance; therefore, there was a quorum for the hearing.

**Pledge.** Mayor Schmitt then invited those in attendance to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Purpose.** Mayor Schmitt said the purpose of the public hearing concerns the petitions to annex 8.87 acres in the Rolling Hills subdivision.

A notice concerning the public hearing appeared in the Herald on April 29, 2010. A notice was also posted at City Hall and faxed to the news media.

City Engineer Chad Hurm said the proposed annexation area is located in the Rolling Hills subdivision that is bounded by Hill Road, B Street, C Street and the current city limits. Hurm said a sanitary sewer line extension for B and C Streets initiated the petitions for annexation which is 100% petitioned for.

Mayor Schmitt asked for public comments and none were received. Schmitt said various comments were received from the department heads. The neighbors know the issues such as with the streets and storm drainage will not be addressed immediately.

City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein said if the sewer line is ready and people are ready to connect to the sanitary sewer before the ordinance is effective, when they come to the office to get their permit, they will sign an agreement that the \$2,000.00 availability fee is waived if the annexation ordinance is adopted.

Mark Schroering said he is being charged the storm water fee on his utility bill. Hemmerlein said he should not be charged that fee yet. She will check with the Utility Business Office.

Mayor Schmitt again asked for public comments. None were received.

A **motion** was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded Council member Kevin Manley to close the public hearing. The motion carried 7-0 and the public hearing closed at 6:30 p.m.

The minutes were hereby approved \_\_\_\_ with   X   without corrections or clarification this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2010.

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**Mayor William J. Schmitt**  
**Presiding Officer**

**Attest:**

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**Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer**

Margaret A. Kress, Recording Secretary